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Although born in New York City, Ross, the son of a British naval officer and the grandson of a former president of Aberdeen University, was educated in Scotland, Canada and England. He was a Governor General's medal-winner in secondary school, took his B.A. at Dalhousie University, earned a master's degree at McGill and did further graduate work at Cambridge. To this cosmopolitan preparation for a teaching career, he added such diverse experience as the editorship of his university newspaper, energetic participation in theatricals and even a voyage to Europe in a wallowing freighter's forecandle.

Ross, growing with P.C.D. as its enrollment inched upward year after year, turned his back on English classes in 1943 and volunteered for duty with the American Field Service. His wartime years carried him to the Near East, Africa and Italy. It was in Italy, possibly during the early dreary days at Anzio, that he saw more clearly than ever before that elementary education must do everything within its means to inculcate in youth a sense of personal responsibility for the well-being of this nation and the world.

Reasonable stress upon the significance of current events, a forward step in a school ranging from the fourth to ninth grades, will become one characteristic of P.C.D. under Ross' leadership. In the same way that Ross, a charter member and former president of the Community Players, has made time for outside interests, P.C.D. students will be exposed to the "well-rounded life," including studies, athletics and extra-curricular activities. Ross, for instance, is extremely proud of P.C.D.'s reputation as an incubator for intercollegiate hockey players, a reputation enhanced a year ago when a clear majority of Princeton University's varsity squad was drawn from the ranks of P.C.D. alumni.

For understanding that all schools must constantly guard against the danger of slipping into long-traveled, meandering ruts; for personifying the spirit of faith and endeavor that has made the independent school an all-important factor in American education; for skilfully dovetailing his own thoughts with the well-laid plans of his able predecessor, he is TOWN TOPICS' nominee for

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Topics of the Town

The Week's News. On Nassau Street, restaurants were more crowded than ever, stores watched sales boom, 550 freshly bedinked members of the class of 1951 jaywalked eagerly through ever-increasing traffic jams. Other schools set new enrollment records—at Princeton High first day the overflow stood up in study hall. Princeton once again was bursting at the seams and as it grew, it made more news than usual:

Seven short days after it began, Jugtown's crisis passed its climax—temporarily, at least. Odds were all that rezoning east of Harrison Street would be postponed, the pending ordinance shelved. The Princeton Film Center, innocently swept into the center of last week's whirlpool, erased plans to buy the Grover house. But if the business district could not expand eastwards, many a resident wondered where it could go. As yet, skyscrapers had few backers.

Night football, long accepted elsewhere, was coming to Princeton. The high school readied plans to launch its 1947 season on University Field a week from Friday with a portable lighting system furnishing illumination. If the opener (against Morrisville) was successful, more after-dark grid battles would follow.

To assist in municipal problems by providing manpower for studying special projects, the Princeton Civic Association called its first annual meeting for Tuesday night of the coming week in Borough Hall. Every resident may join and lend a hand.

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James A. Love, in the movie business "all my life," a motion picture film editor for six years, will do the instructing. The class will meet once a week and, after bare preliminaries, will launch its real project: the putting together of a documentary (using stock shots), script, research, sound effects, and all that goes with it.

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Robert Taylor, graduate student in architecture, lent new emphasis to the housing shortage by designing and beginning construction himself on a house on Jefferson Road. Other veterans, still campaigning for homes, had their hopes raised slightly. A Princeton Township official reportedly commented: "Sure we believe in housing. Some day people will live in it."

At its weekly dinner meeting in the Nassau Tavern, the Lions Club paid TOWN TOPICS a deeply-appreciated compliment. Each Tuesday night henceforth, the Lions will have as their guest the Princetonian whom TOWN TOPICS selects as Man (or Woman) of the Week.

Trinity Church named Lewis B. Cuyler head of a committee to select a new rector. Sunday's congregation heard that Dr. Arthur L. Kinsolving, in charge of the parish for the past seven years, would leave November 1 to become rector of St. James' Episcopal Church in New York.

The town welcomed (for \$28,000) a pair of brand new fire engines, ordered two full years ago . . . the AVC completed plans for its dance this Friday night at Avalon with red the dominant theme of its decorations.

Performing the neat feat of winning three games in the playoffs after dropping the first two, the Phantoms defeated the Cenerinos, won the "A" League title in softball and the TOWN TOPICS trophy . . . the varsity football team gave Columbia a fairly sound going over in what was announced as a three-touchdown tie, sent optimism upwards on the Tiger coaching staff.

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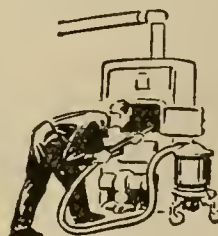
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 11:00 a.m.: "An Expanding Program for a Changing World," the Rev. Dr. Frank S. Niles; First Church.
 "The Quest and the Question," the Rev. Dr. William L. Tucker, Second Church.
 "The Undivided Heart," the Rev. Milton A. Galamison; Witherspoon Church.
 Sermon, the Rev. Dr. Arthur L. Kinsolving; Sunday School Registration; Trinity Church.
 "The Temple of the Spirit," the Rev. Lynn H. Corson; Church School Rally Day at 9:45 a.m.; Methodist Church.
 "Matter," Lesson-Sermon; First Church of Christ, Scientist.
 Noon; House-to-House Collection of scrap paper, sponsored by Charles Robinson Post No. 218, American Legion.
 3:00 p.m.: Formal Opening Exercises, Princeton University; Dr. Harold Willis Dodds; University Chapel.
 8:00 p.m.: "Fellowship with Christ," the Rev. Dr. Niles; First Church.
 "The Modern Naaman," the Rev. Galamison; Witherspoon Presbyterian Church.
 8:15 p.m.: Evening Service, First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Tuesday, September 23d

8:00 p.m.: Meeting, Princeton Civic Association; Borough Hall.

Wednesday, September 24th

8:15 p.m.: Mid-Week Service; First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Friday, September 26th

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.: Last day for registration of voters, Borough and Township Halls.

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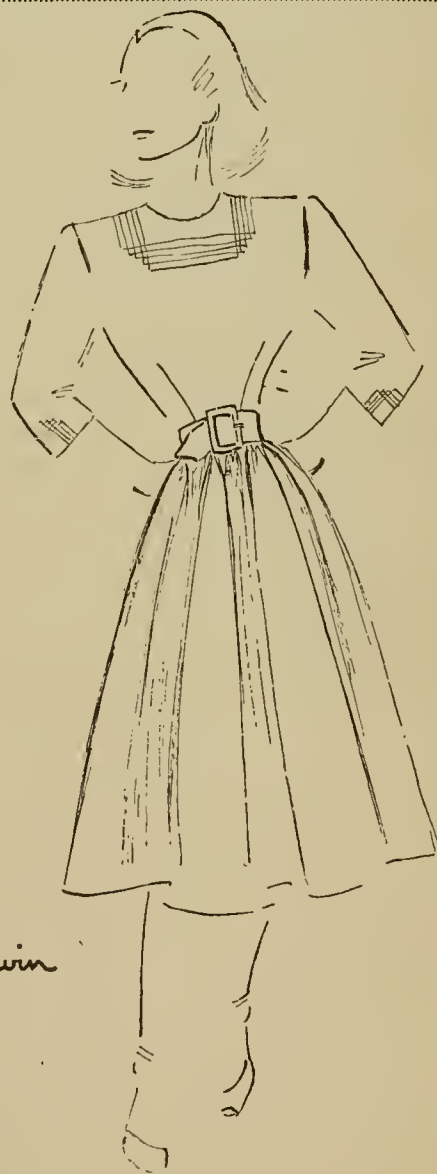
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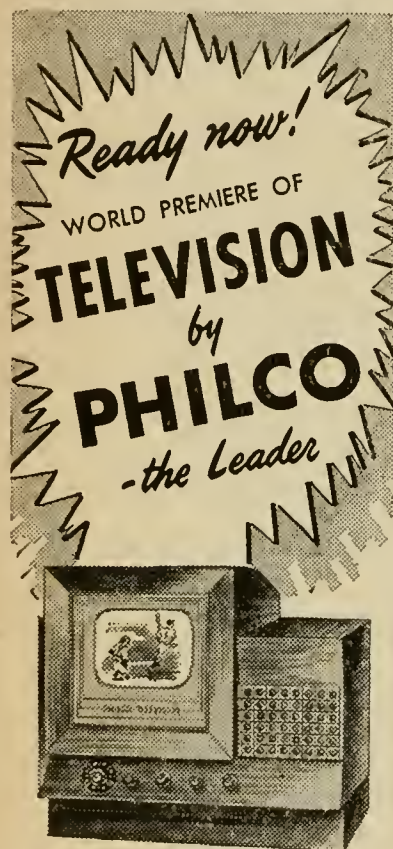
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Song of the Thin Man (Thurs., Fri., Sat.) sets William Powell and Myrna Loy to solving a murder aboard a gambling ship. Satisfactory light comedy-drama.

The Garden

Black Gold (Fri., Sat.) has the Kentucky Derby as its setting and routine melodrama about a poor but honest Indian and crooked smugglers as its plot. Not much here.

Duel in the Sun. (Mon., Tues., Wed.) labelled by Time Magazine as "the sexiest horse opera ever made," is a tremendously colorful, noisy, action-packed Western starring Jennifer Jones, Gregory Peck, Joseph Cotten. Produced for \$6,000,000, it runs over two hours, asks double the usual price.

The Last of the Red Men (Thurs. Fri., Sat.) is another but far quieter drama also featuring gun play in the bad lands. With Jon Hall.

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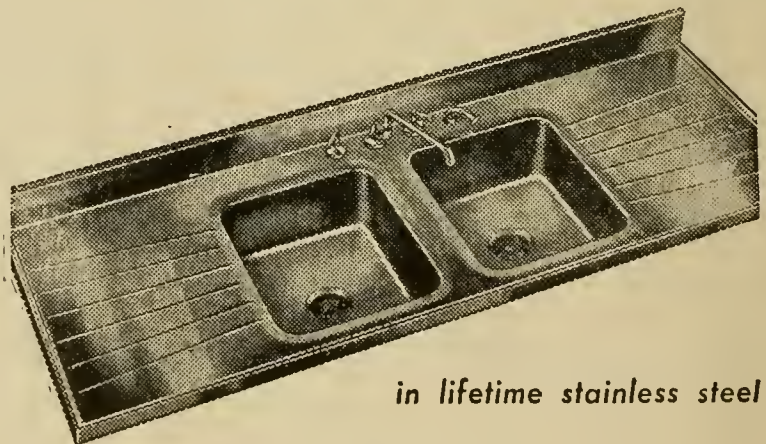
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